

**Remarks:**

The Office communication dated March 20, 2006, states that claims 9-20 do not read on the elected invention. The originally filed claims were directed to the use of a substance or composition for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of an individual. The claims were written as use claims because method of treatment claims are not permitted in Europe. Applicants respectfully point out that since use claims are not permitted in the U.S., such claims are commonly rewritten as method of treatment claims. Since the originally filed claims state that the medicament is used for the treatment of individuals infected with the recited viruses, applicants respectfully request claims 9-20 be examined in the present application. In addition, new claims 21-32 have been added to the application. These claims are directed to a method for preparing and administering the medicament according to the present invention. If claims 9-20 are not found to encompass the elected invention, applicants request that claims 21-32 be examined.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fee for such an extension together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

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